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SUBJECT: NATO SUMMIT MEETING: BILATERALS WITH PRESIDENT

REFS: A. ATHENS 3470; B. USNATO 2541

1. WE EXPECT THAT BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS ON GREECE AND TURKEY WILL PLAY A PROMINENT ROLE IN THE MAY 29-30 NATO SUMMIT. CONSEQUENTLY A MAJOR PART OF PRESIDENT FORD'S SCHEDULE IS BEING RESERVED TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES.

2. FOR ATHENS: YOU SHOULD EXPRESS THE PRESIDENT'S APPRECIATION THAT PM CARAMANLIS IS ABLE TO MEET WITH HIM (REF A) AND SUGGEST THAT THURSDAY, MAY 29, FROM 0930 TO 1045 WOULD BE MOST CONVENIENT. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD
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IN AMBASSADOR FIRESTONE'S RESIDENCE IN BRUSSELS.

3. FOR ANKARA: EMBASSY SHOULD EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR PM DEMIREL'S WILLINGNESS TO MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT (REF B) AND INDICATE THAT THURSDAY, MAY 29, FROM 1130 TO 1245 WOULD BE MOST CONVENIENT. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT AMBASSADOR FIRESTONE'S RESIDENCE IN BRUSSELS.

4. WHILE CONFIRMING ACCEPTANCE BY RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS, EMBASSIES SHOULD ALSO REQUEST NAMES OF THOSE THE PM EXPECTS TO ACCOMPANY HIM TO THE BILATERAL KISSINGER

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